

In the claims:

All of the claims standing for examination are reproduced below. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7 and 8, are herein amended.

1. (currently amended) A ~~software application~~ system for network-based management and data summarization of ~~user-selected URLs~~ comprising:

a client-side ~~utility for~~ component capturing ~~at least a URL~~ URLs displayed in a browser window during Internet navigation;

a server-side ~~utility for~~ component receiving URLs captured by the client-side ~~utility~~ component; and

a navigation and data-gathering ~~utility~~ component ~~for~~ navigating to and gathering ~~content and other data~~ information from Web pages associated with the captured URLs;

~~characterized in that a user operating the client-side utility captures a URL during Web browsing wherein the URL is sent to the server-side utility at which time it may be utilized by the navigation and data gathering utility for proxy navigation to and data gathering from a WEB page associated with the URL.~~

2. (currently amended) The ~~software application~~ system of claim 1, wherein the network is the Internet network.

3. (currently amended) The ~~software application~~ system of claim 2, wherein the client-side ~~utility~~ component is a network-capable utility separate from a standard book-marking utility.

4. (currently amended) The ~~software-application~~ system of claim 2, wherein the client-side ~~utility~~ component is integrated with a standard book-marking utility.

5. (currently amended) The ~~software-application~~ system of claim 2, wherein the client-side ~~utility~~ component is a plug-In adapted to a Web browser.

6. (currently amended) The ~~software-application~~ system of claim 2, wherein the navigation and data-gathering ~~utility~~ component navigates to a WEB page associated with the URL and returns an HTML summary of ~~the content and other data~~ information from the Web page.

7. (currently amended) A method for practicing network-based management and data summarization of ~~user-selected~~ URLs comprising the steps of:

(a) initiating capture of at least a URL associated with a Web page presented in a browser window while browsing the Internet;

(b) sending the captured URL ~~information~~ over a network connection to a Web-based server;

(c) associating the captured URL ~~information~~ with other ~~URL information~~ URLs contained in a list of ~~URL-data~~ URLs;

(d) initiating a request ~~containing~~ referencing the ~~URL-data~~ URLs and sending the request to a proxy navigation and data-gathering utility; and

(e) ~~upon approval of the request~~, navigating to ~~the~~ a Web page or pages associated with the ~~URL-data~~ URLs, obtaining specific content and other data from the Web page and returning the data in summary form to a user.

8. (currently amended) The method of claim 7 wherein in step (a), the URL ~~data~~ is sent both to the network and to a machine cache residing on a user's machine.

9. (original) The method of claim 7 wherein in step (b), the Web-based server is a proxy server.

10. (original) The method of claim 7 wherein a step is added between steps (d) and (e) enabling a user to edit a navigation request.

11. (added) The system of claim 1 wherein the client-side component captures user-entered name and password as well as the URL for a site requiring log-in, and send the log-in information to the system-side server associated with the URL, enabling the data-gathering utility to log in on behalf of the user.

12. (added) The method of claim 7, wherein, in step (a), a user name and password entered by a user for a site requiring log-in is captured and associated with the URL of the site, in step (b) the name and password are sent along with the URL, and in step (d) the gathering utility logs in to sites on behalf of the user.